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Sophie McKinnon, 7, and sister Erica, 6, laugh
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Provincial, federal NDP stand at odds

NATIONAL CONVENTION

Notley says Leap Manifesto not good for Alberta



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The federal NDP will study adding a controversial document to their party's policy over the objections of Premier Rachel Notley and many other Alberta New Democrats.

A motion to have riding associations across the country look at the Leap Manifesto, which calls for a change to the capitalist system, no new pipeline construction and a quick move to end reliance on fossil fuels, passed Sunday at the party's national convention in Edmonton.

In a speech Saturday, Notley urged convention delegates to reject the document. After it passed on Sunday, deputy premier Sarah Hoffman

said she was disappointed. "I voted against it. There were a number of Alberta delegates who did. We are going to keep moving forward and championing our industries and the people who elected us," she said.

"This isn't the first time that a prairie party has disagreed with the federal party on a matter and it probably won't be the last," she added.

Gil McGowan, who ran for the party federally in Edmonton-Centre last fall, stressed that the party hadn't embraced the policy, just agreed to discuss it. Still, he agreed it was not a good policy for Alberta. "The advocates of this manifesto were not thinking strategically. They put no thought into how this document would be used by our political opponents," he said.

McGowan stressed Alberta New Democrats would never run on it.

"It was a policy made by a handful of people living in ivory towers in downtown Toronto," he said.

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RWANDAN GENOCIDE

Survivor brings kids together through soccer



Jennifer Friesen
For Metro

Jean-Claude Munyezamu said it started back in Kenya.

After escaping the Rwandan genocide, the 19-year-old found his way to the Dadaab refugee camp in 1993.

He began teaching the children how to make soccer balls out of discarded plastic bags, just as he did when he was young. Within an hour, more than 100 children had gathered.

"Children play soccer everywhere, it's not a new thing," he said. "You can see it's something kids long for."

It was his first taste of volunteer work — although he never knew that's what he was doing — and it became his way of life.

In 2010, Munyezamu was living in a housing complex in Glenbrook, along with other immigrant and refugee families. He noticed children shoplifting and vandalizing the community, and decided to make a change.

That was when he started Soccer Without Boundaries, an outreach program to help integrate new Canadians into their community.

"When you bring a child from



Jean-Claude Munyezamu says soccer is a "universal language," so he used the sport as a way to integrate immigrant and refugee children into their communities. JENNIFER FRIESEN/FOR METRO

a refugee camp, there are no rules, no structure, no discipline," he said.

"Most of these families come from refugee camps or war zones, so bringing them here is a shock. No matter where they live, they know the rules in soccer. It's a universal language (that can) take the chaos out of



Most of these families come from refugee camps or war zones.

Jean-Claude Munyezamu

their lives."

Armed with a soccer ball and an empty field, Munyezamu set up a Saturday soccer club. Week after week, the meetings grew

and friendships were forged between the children and their parents.

Some of the children have joined competitive leagues

and earned scholarships across North America. But still, six years later, they return on Saturdays to help teach the younger players.

"It is always my goal to bring the children together, so they see kids their age, (with) common interests, doing things as a team," he said.

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"That's how they feel like they belong to a community, you take away the boundaries between (them). If they feel that way, there's no way they are going to join the gangs."

Soccer Without Boundaries earned charitable status in January, and just last week received a \$10,000 Soul of the City Neighbour Grant from the Calgary Economic Development. Munyezamu hopes to expand to new neighbourhoods and find more indoor fields for the children to practise in.

Munyezamu still works as a taxi driver to support his family, but tirelessly volunteers his time to the organization.

"It's always the children asking me, 'You're not paid?' and I say 'No,'" recalled Munyezamu.

"They ask, 'Why are you doing this?' and I say, 'I hope you would do the same.' I think, for genocide survivors, we wonder if we deserved surviving. Maybe there's a reason we're still chasing to find.

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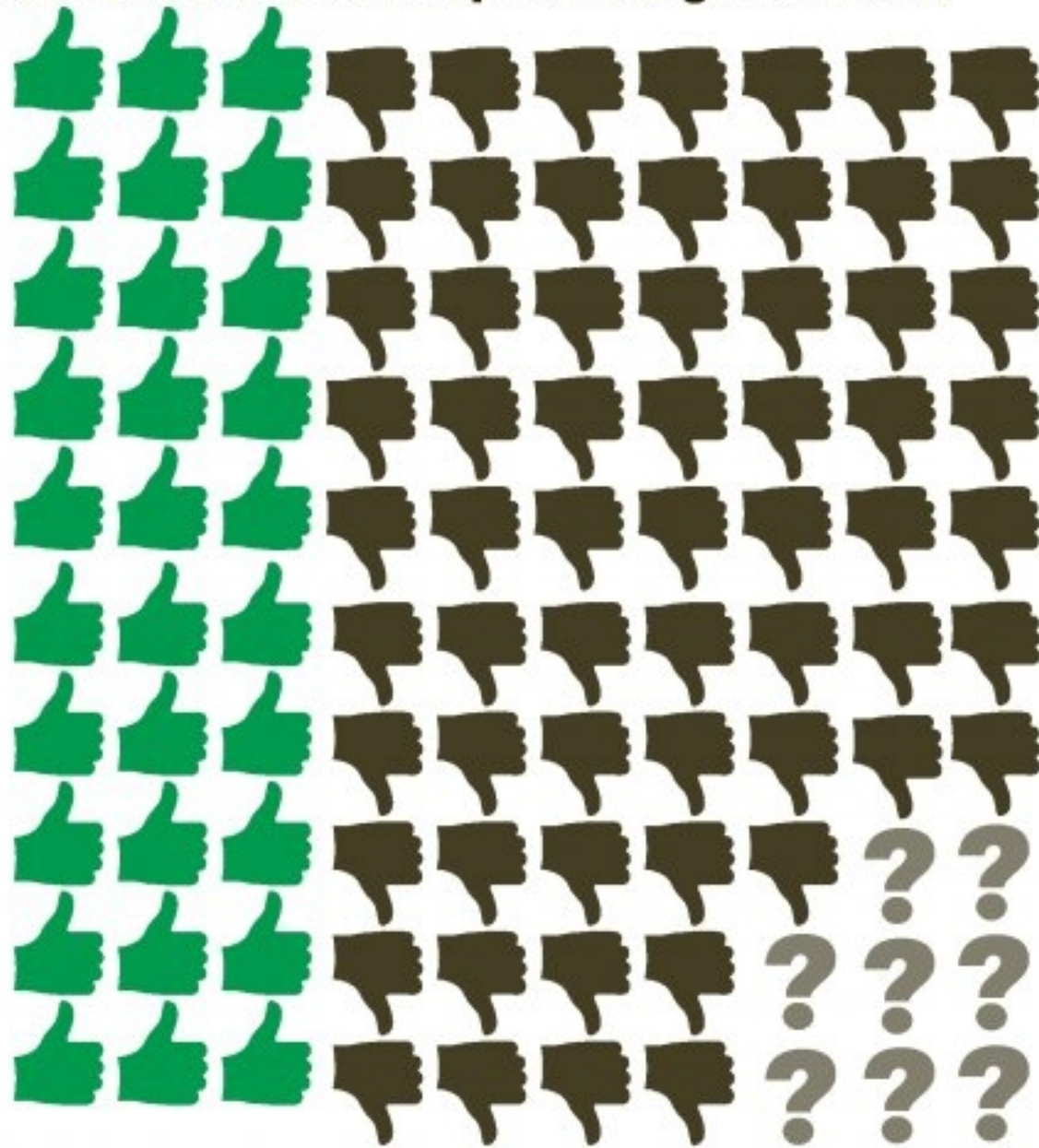
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Albertans blame NDP for economy

metro EXCLUSIVE

Poll finds half those surveyed point finger at the province



Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

The government's financial plan to get Alberta back on track is becoming increasingly important, as the majority of Albertans — including one-fifth of NDP voters — aren't confident the governing party will improve the economy, according to a poll.

In an exclusive ThinkHQ/Metro poll, 63 per cent of respondents said they weren't confident the NDP could improve the economy, while 30 per cent said they were optimistic Alberta's new progressive government could improve the province's financial mess.

Of the 63 per cent of respondents who weren't confident: 32 per cent were NDP voters, 95 per

cent voted Wildrose and 87 per cent were Progressive Conservative. The online panel surveyed 1,331 Albertans on a variety of political issues in Alberta.

ThinkHQ president Marc Henry said the figures spell out the importance of the upcoming budget, to be tabled on April 14.

"That's tough — it identifies how important this budget is going to be to the NDP, in terms of retention of their 2015 voter base," he said. "It also spells out the challenges ahead."

Most Albertans, too, are blaming the government for the province's economic situation.

According to the poll, 51 per cent of respondents said the government is responsible for the economy, while 45 per cent said the NDP isn't responsible. Four per cent were unsure.

Melanie Thomas, assistant professor of political science at the University of Calgary, said it's "economically ignorant" to pin economic woes on provincial governments.

"Anybody who knows any-

thing about the economic reality — if they're being honest — would answer this question with, 'No I'm not confident because that could mean one of two things,'" Thomas explained. "It could mean, 'No, I'm not confident because I have my partisan lens on,' or it could be, 'I'm not confident because I understand the reality of the international economy.'"

Henry said it doesn't matter if people should blame the economic woes on the government — people are doing it anyway.

This online survey utilized a representative, but non-random sample, therefore the margin of error is not applicable. However, a probability sample of this size would yield a margin of error of ± 2.7 percentage points at 19 times out of 20. Results were weighted to reflect gender, age and region of Alberta population according to Statistics Canada.

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Abdul Mian first found "go back" sprayed on his garage door. Days later, he woke to his trucks engulfed in flames on Sunday, April 10. The incident is under investigation. CONTRIBUTED

'This was uncalled for'

HATE CRIME

Kitscoty family devastated by recent targeted graffiti, blaze



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Abdul Mian feels his livelihood has been destroyed over a crime his nephew claims was fuelled by hate.

Mian, who lives in Kitscoty, near Lloydminster, was rattled by two incidents that occurred at his home within the past few days — one being a fire that destroyed two trucks Mian uses while working in oil services.

Vermillion Fire County Chief Orest Popil said crews continue to investigate the incident.

Popil confirmed crews were on scene at Mian's residence until 4:30 a.m. Sunday, battling the blaze that subsequently consumed two semi-trailer trucks.

Mian, who relocated to Kitscoty almost six years ago from Pakistan, said he was in utter shock to awake to the fire overnight.

He said he doesn't want to

believe that both incidents were hate crimes.

"Everybody loves me here, as far as I know ... until now," he told Metro.

"I love this community. I understand the times are tough, but this doesn't mean people can go out and hurt people. This was uncalled for."

But in the days leading up to the incident, someone had sprayed graffiti on his garage door with a message that read, "go back."

Mian said he painted over the words and then hung two Canadian flags.

"I never expected this," he said.

"This community is home. Moving around is not easy. Our kids go to school here, for crying out loud. We love this school. We volunteer. Where would we go? We can't afford to go."

His nephew, Mohsin Kamran, thinks Mian was targeted for being Muslim.

"I believe it's because oil is down and that 'Go home' implies racism," Kamran said. "All of (Mian's) kids were born here."

"What scares me is that, what if they started the house on fire?"

Mian said RCMP took his name during the blaze, adding he intends to file a complaint Monday.

PEACE OFFICER ASSOCIATION

Members call for mental health training

Alberta's peace officer association wants mental health training for all members, despite Alberta Justice's unwillingness to include such training within its peace officer program.

Earlier this month, the Justice Department said it was satisfied with its current training requirements for its program because only two employers — AHS and Covenant Health — have the authority to enforce certain sections of the Mental Health Act.

But Jamie Erickson, president of the Alberta Association of Community Peace Officers, said all officers would benefit from mental health training at the academy, regardless of where they work.

"It's one avenue that doesn't get enough focus right now in the general training," he said. "We're dealing with the same individuals that the RCMP and Calgary Police are dealing with. There's potential to run across people with men-

tal health issues with a traffic stop, animal complaint or bylaw complaint."

Advocates, too, have called on the government for mental health training after a Calgary woman accused security guards of assaulting her during her brief stay in the Mental Health Ward at the South Health Campus.

However, Alberta Health Services provides extra training for peace officers working in its facilities.

Erickson said peace officers have seen an increase in people with mental health issues while working, compared to past years.

The association will bring up mental health training at its next Training Advisory Committee meeting, Erickson added.

"It would definitely be valuable," he said. "That would be our best avenue — to get that addressed through our next committee."

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Redevelopment concerns raised at Chinatown fest

CITY COUNCIL

Calgarians worry redesign could change community

Stephanie Joe
For Metro | Calgary

One Love One Chinatown was held for the people of Calgary to come out and experience Chinese culture, and also consider the plan of redevelopment that may go through the neighbourhood.

Calgary city council will vote to pass or reject bylaw amendments to the Chinatown Area Redevelopment Plan, which is an application that seeks to redesign the Chinatown area using mixed residential and commercial properties.

The event was held to showcase the Chinese culture through several events throughout the



Lion dancers from World Pak Mei Hup Ging Do Martial Arts perform for those who attended the One Love One Chinatown event on Sunday. KENNETH APPLEBY/FOR METRO

day including four Lion Dance groups, historical presentations and a rap and hip hop performance.

Susan Eng, who attended the event, said she hopes that not much of the current Chinatown

look will change.

"I do not mind the redevelopment, but I hope the development will take into consideration preserving the culture, history and the buildings," she said.

Eng signed an online petition

put on by I Love YYC Chinatown, asking the City of Calgary to create a plan for Chinatown that is community driven.

A second-generation Chinatown resident, Kelly Ma, stood outside of Calgary's Cultural Chi-

nese Centre with a sign that said, "I Love YYC Chinatown."

"I'm all for diversity, but if they change the culture of Chinatown, I would be upset about it," she said.

Coun. Sean Chu said that the city would work with the community and the developer to make sure it is something the people of that area would want. "I think it would be a good thing for the community," he said.

Patrick Teoh, media spokesperson for the event, said that Calgary's Chinatown has aged and is in great need of care.

"Development plays a crucial role in revitalizing Chinatown, but what is the best way to do this?" he said. "We believe it is the community driven vision. This event is unity, passion and the community coming together and doing something for Chinatown and all that it stands for."

City council will vote to reject or pass the amendments on Monday.

CRIME

Calgary police investigating Little Caesars attempted robbery

Calgary police are on the hunt for a man involved in an attempted robbery that occurred in a southeast pizza restaurant Saturday night.

A man entered Little Caesars Pizza, located at 2879 17 Avenue SE, at 10:58 p.m. Saturday.

The man threatened an employee with a knife, demanding the person to open the cash register, according to the Calgary Police Service. But the suspect then fled without the money.

Police said the man is white and slim.

"He was wearing a white hoodie and a baseball cap, and he had a red face mask on," said a Calgary police spokesman.

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Music lovers revel in vinyl paradise

EXPO

Semi-annual convention full of rare finds for collectors

Stephanie Joe
For Metro | Edmonton

Lyndsay Greenwood, who followed her "music nerd" husband to the music show, is still working on the record collection that they've started.

The semi-annual Calgary Music Collection Show was held on Sunday to bring music lovers together to buy, sell and trade music-related collectibles.

Greenwood got a Garth Brooks album out of the event.

"It's constantly growing and expanding and taking up a lot of room in my apartment," she said.



Trevor Marx looks through a record box at the Calgary Music Collection Show on Sunday. KENNETH APPELBY / FOR METRO

"I didn't come looking for anything specific, so the fact that I found something is kind of awesome."

"We're still on the hunt for some of my husband's stuff." Jeff Renshaw attended the music collection extravaganza

and he said it was like having all the record stores in Calgary in one spot.

"It's a great time," said Renshaw. "Something like a vinyl collection, you never finish."

"I know there's a few individuals here today that are selling their collection and I know they're going to regret it in a few years, but good for them — help other people spread the joy of vinyl."

Gerry Sobie, president of the Calgary Guitar Show, is one of those people selling some items from his collection.

"I have some of my personal records for sale, my personal records that I can part with," said Sobie. "I'm here mainly to promote my guitar show, which is going to be Sept. 25, at the National Music Centre."

"I have probably 500 records at home and all I listen to is vinyl."

For more info on the music collector shows, visit toonorthrecords.com.

POLITICS

Allegations against Denis withdrawn

The ex-wife of a former Alberta justice minister has withdrawn serious allegations she made against him as their marriage broke down.

Jonathan Denis resigned during last spring's provincial election campaign after his estranged wife, Breanna Palmer, alleged in court documents that he had kneed her in the face, tampered with her car's brakes, and thrown temper tantrums.

The details of the allegations were revealed the day before the May election when a judge lifted a publication ban and removed an emergency protection order against Denis, saying he was satisfied that Palmer was "not in danger of family violence."

The MLA for Calgary-Acadia was never charged with a crime and continued to run in the election, but was defeated by an NDP candidate.

Palmer withdrew the allegations in documents distributed by Denis's lawyer after their divorce was finalized on April 1.

"Jonathan Denis has never intentionally harmed me," she said in a statement.

Palmer, a model and former beauty queen, added that she regrets that the actions she took caused Denis difficulty.

"I want to move on with my life and wish Jonathan Denis the best."

In a separate statement, Denis said the retraction allows him to clear his name and reputation, and puts an end to the public ordeal.

"These allegations were serious, and they caused me harm. I am glad that the truth has prevailed," he said.

Both Denis and Palmer said they have made their final comments on the matter.

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Paper may shut down

MEDIA

Alberta Street News running out of funds — and time

Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

Almost every Saturday for six years, Angelique Branston has pulled up a stool next to a vegetable stand at Strathcona Farmer's Market to sell the Alberta Street News.

It's her preferred spot because customers are friendly and she sells between five and 30 copies of the paper a day.

Vendors pay the paper 50 cents per copy, which they turn around and sell to passersby, pocketing any profit.

In return, the vendors — all low income or no income — get a much-needed support.

"I'm on AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) so I don't have much leeway after all my bills are paid ... with selling the papers I'm able to go to the movies

once in a while or if I save I can buy presents for the people I care about," Branston said.

"It makes it so I can live like a normal person."

But the future of the paper is in jeopardy. If it can't raise the \$700 in monthly printing costs (\$500 without colour), the April issue will be the last.

Martyshuk Housing bought it about a year ago and tried to run it like a business, which didn't work. They handed it back to founder and publisher Linda Dumont and told her they'd pay printing costs six more months; time has run out.

Dumont says times have been tough for a while.

Like all newspapers, sales of physical copies have plummeted. The number of vendors has also dropped, with many stopping after AISH rates were raised a couple of years ago.

Dumont worries about the 20 or so vendors who are left, adding that most will be unable to get regular jobs.

"Some of them they will really notice the loss of income, some will have to resort to picking bottles or panhandling," she said.



A source of income for the low-income or homeless people, the paper may be forced to shut down. SUBMITTED

ART

Toller Cranston's paintings back home

The final paintings of Canadian figure-skating great Toller Cranston have returned home after his untimely death in Mexico more than a year ago.

Christopher Talbot, Cranston's longtime friend and agent, feels sadness despite successfully negotiating his way through months and months of red tape to retrieve dozens of pieces from Cranston's home in San Miguel de Allende.

"For the most part it's over. He's gone. There's no more paintings and I'm not sure what happens from here," said Talbot, president of Art Evolution Gallery and Lounge in Calgary.

"I miss him, painful as he was. It's so sad. It's spectacularly sad because you know it's the end."

Cranston, who was 65, was

found dead from an apparent heart attack in his home in January 2015.

The current display of his paintings will remain at the Calgary art gallery until April 20, which is Cranston's birthday.

He was a six-time Canadian senior men's champion, and won bronze at the 1974 world championships and 1976 Olympics.

While he never won an Olympic or world title, his dramatic showmanship on the ice presented a unique artistic vision that forever changed the sport.

Among the paintings at the gallery are two of Cranston's personal favourites.

The Contessas are matching paintings of young women, wearing medieval garb, that hung in his bedroom.

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Languages from extinction to fiction

POETRY

Tongues ancient and new meet at poetry festival



Aaron Chatha
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Yapbe'mo' Hol law' crux chay' wilegh 'ej chay' relate maH.

That's Klingon for, "The power of language as the crux of how we see and relate," which happens to be the theme of the first annual School of Thought festival.

Born out of the annual Spoken Word Festival, School of Thought will be bringing in poets speaking an array of lost and found languages, from

common English to nearly extinct aboriginal languages to, you guessed it, Klingon.

Sheri-D Wilson, poet and organizer of School of Thought, said she picked the theme because she wanted people to become more aware of how we communicate, and how we hear the language of our earth, and our future.

"Of course, poets are the people who spread the word

on any idea," she said. "If you want anything out in the world, you tell a poet, and then they spread the word."

Including a selection of local poets, Wilson also invited poets like Joséphine Bacon, who speaks in two aboriginal languages that are on the extinct language list, and Marc Okrand, the creator of Klingon.

"I wanted to see what happened when they spoke together

"If you want anything out in the world, you tell a poet, and then they spread the word."

Sheri-D Wilson

er about the languages going

extinct, that are created and connected to the earth, and the languages that are being created that are more technological," said Wilson.

The festival will also feature a workshop taught by Okrand to help attendees develop their own languages.

School of Thought runs throughout Calgary from April 19-24. For more information, visit schoolofthought.ca.

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Calvin French sits next to a one-of-a-kind arcade cabinet for his game, built specifically for CUFFcade. KENNETH APPELBY/FOR METRO

ART

Video games offer film festival break

Do you have what it takes to follow the teachings of the enigmatic Boat Master Taro, and rescue trapped islanders with your boat?

As the Calgary Underground Film Festival kicks off this week, so does the annual CUFFcade — a selection of locally created video games, presented in an arcade in the corner of the Globe Theatre.

Calvin French originally made his boat rescue game Paradise Perfect Boat Rescue in 2010, but it took a few years for him to actually release it. For the CUFFcade this year, he smoothed out an arcade mode for people to play in-between film showings.

"It's intentionally very gentle," said French. "When your boat sinks, you can see your little guy treading water."

The fun-for-all-ages game has you avoiding waves and other boats with water jets, while trying to rescue islanders — all under the direction of your teach-

er, Boat Master Taro.

French said the game has humour, too — islanders you pick up will warn you of an impending storm, or complain that they're seasick.

French said he came up with the idea for the game while talking to a friend at a train station, and it instantly took hold.

"Probably because I grew up in Calgary, boats are fascinating to me," he laughed. "It seems exotic, living on the prairies, right?"

Joining Paradise Never at the CUFFcade are local games like 3.2.1. Grenades, a grenade-based action game, AsterVoid 2000, a star-fighting game, Seedscape, a game about defeating dark creatures through planting trees and growing crops, and finally Semispheres, a single-player stealth puzzle game.

For more information, visit calgaryundergroundfilm.org.

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Iraq War resisters in limbo

CITIZENSHIP

Ex-soldiers wait on Liberal promise of fair court trials



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American ex-soldiers who fled the Iraq War are waiting to see if the Liberal government will live up to a promise — because their futures in Canada depend on it.

"It's a little disconcerting to me because we'd met with Liberals and they were all for us being here," said Dean Walcott. "But now they're the government in charge and here we are with a court case again."

Walcott is one of an estimated 15 Iraq War resisters, or deserters, living in Canada. Their numbers have seen a sharp decline over the past decade — down from a high of about 200 — as many have left voluntarily or been deported to face jail time in the U.S.

The Conservative government took extraordinary measures to deport deserters. Former Immigration Minister Jason Kenney issued Operational Bulletin 202, a directive to immigration officials to consider war resisters criminals — making them automatically ineligible for residency in Canada.

During the 2015 election campaign, the Liberal's immigration critic, now minister, John McCallum, spoke out against the stance and said a Liberal government would rescind Kenney's bulletin, letting the cases proceed "on their own merits." But, so far, the Conservative directive remains in place and

A SOLDIER'S STORY

Dean Walcott served four tours in Iraq. He was working at a military hospital in 2004 when a tent city was set on fire by a mortar round and the hospital was flooded with burn victims, women and children, screaming and bloodied, he says. It's left him with flashbacks of burned bodies and a diagnosis of PTSD. Walcott transitioned to a desk job but found helping send others to fight in Iraq was something he couldn't handle. He fled to Canada in 2005 where he got married and started a family. Walcott said his experiences have led him to believe the Iraq War was immoral.

a spokesperson for McCallum's office told Metro the promise to remove it wasn't included in the party's platform.

There are signs though that change could be coming, said Alyssa Manning, a public defender who represents four war resisters in the Toronto area, including Walcott. Her clients' cases are pending in federal court, and, last week, hearings scheduled for early this month were pushed back to November.

"I understand that the new government is taking a look at these cases and determining whether or not they are going to be adopting the same position as the previous government on these file," she said.

If the government follows through on its promise, Manning believes she has a good chance of winning. But for now, all the ex-soldiers can do is wait.

Changing stances

The Liberals' position on war resisters has changed over time



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It was under Liberal prime minister Pierre Trudeau that the Vietnam-era resisters were welcomed to apply for permanent resident status.



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Former leader Michael Ignatieff led a walkout of a 2010 vote on a Liberal MP's private member's bill that would have allowed war resisters to stay in Canada, causing its defeat. Justin Trudeau stayed and voted in favour of the bill at the time.



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Reckoning for tax cheats

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Feds to release plan following Panama Papers revelations

Ottawa is stepping up its fight against offshore tax dodgers by putting "high-risk" taxpayers in the crosshairs, cracking down on the promotion of tax shelters and launching targeted probes of foreign tax havens.

National Revenue Minister Diane Lebovitch will unveil the initiatives at a news conference Monday morning.

The announcement follows daily revelations from the Panama Papers, detailing the extensive — and complex — moves by the wealthy to

shelter wealth offshore.

The 11.5 million documents from Panamanian law firm Mossack Fonseca comprise the largest journalistic leak in history, which has been analyzed and corroborated by journalists at over 100 news organizations around the world. The ensuing reports have implicated a dozen world leaders in offshore dealings, including Iceland's Prime Minister Sigmundur Gunnlaugsson, who resigned last week, and the U.K.'s David Cameron, who admitted to profiting from offshore investments.

Often such money is held in legitimate investments abroad.

But other times, the wealth has been deliberately moved offshore to avoid taxes.

Echoing leaders on four continents who have called for a crackdown, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said last week that the details in the Panama Papers underscore the need to act.

"There is an increasing desire for transparency and accountability and making sure that everyone is participating to a fair degree," Trudeau said.

On Monday, Lebovitch will detail the Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) plan to step up its efforts to uncover — and tax — millions of dollars Canadians have purposely stashed in offshore accounts to keep hidden from tax collectors.

"These wealthy Canadians should not be able to buy their way out of paying the income tax that they owe," reads the news release for Monday's announcement.

\$444M

Amount of new funding the Liberals have earmarked in the March budget to go after tax evaders

DETAILS

5 WAYS the government will take the fight to tax evaders

1. Haven by haven

Tax analysts will start by looking at the Isle of Man, where \$130 million was stashed, according to the CBC. From there, CRA investigators will turn to other "secrecy jurisdictions."

2. Hunt the enablers

The CRA will create a special branch dedicated to looking into the organizations that create and promote tax-avoidance schemes.

3. Prosecutions

The CRA will soon embed tax lawyers in their investigative teams to expedite criminal cases against tax evaders.

4. Gather allies

Canada will bolster its co-operation with other countries and likely cite the OECD's "common reporting standards," a system that would allow all countries to share information on financial transactions.

5. Find out what's missing

The Liberals will aim to calculate the tax gap — the difference between the taxes Canada should collect on paper and the money it does.

The government says that the initiatives are not a direct response to the Panama Papers. Instead, they say the revelations from the documents simply confirm long-standing concerns over tax evasion that moved the party to make it an issue during the election.

"The unprecedented invest-

ment made in the CRA's activities through Budget 2016 will fundamentally change our ability to identify and pursue both domestic and offshore tax evasion and avoidance," Lebovitch said in a statement prepared for the announcement.

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The Crystal Serenity
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NORTHWEST PASSAGE

North gets ready for big cruise ship visit

Sir John Franklin would have been astounded.

The Northwest Passage which he and his doomed crew of Arctic mariners sought is to be plied this summer by a ship roughly eight times as long and carrying 25 times as many people as Franklin's flagship in 1845.

The Crystal Serenity, the biggest cruise ship to plan a transit of the legendary passage, is so large that Canadian officials are holding special meetings this week to prepare. Residents in the communities along its route, who will be outnumbered by the ship's passengers and crew, are already planning for a visit that won't happen until August.

"We get a lot of cruise ships, but this one is so large it will impact us significantly such that we need months to prepare for it," said Vicki Aitaok, who's organizing a reception in Cambridge Bay, Nunavut.

Every summer, about 10 cruise ships carrying a total of about 2,600 passengers sail through all or part of the Northwest Passage. The Serenity, with more than 1,000 passengers and 700 crew, is in another league.

"It's fair to say that when you have 1,700 people making this particular voyage, it caught the attention of both the American and the Canadian Coast Guard," said Jeff Hutchinson, the coast guard's deputy commissioner.

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Those who hide income and assets offshore or try to evade or avoid paying the tax they owe ... will face consequences.

Diane Lebovitch

NDP vote to replace Tom Mulcair

Rank-and-file New Democrats handed Tom Mulcair another ballot-box drubbing Sunday, voting to replace him as leader less than six months after a devastating election loss that dashed the party's dream of forming Canada's first federal NDP government.

A stunned silence fell over the convention floor at Edmonton's Shaw Conference Centre as delegates realized that not only had Mulcair not attained a respectable level of support, he hadn't even reached the 50 per cent threshold.

As a result, the man who less than a year ago was being touted as poised to become Canada's first-ever NDP prime minister instead became the first federal leader ever to be rejected by a majority of delegates — 52 per cent — at a party's annual convention.

"The only thing that's important is that we leave here united," a calm, resigned-looking Mulcair told delegates after the vote. He said he'll remain as leader until his successor is chosen, within 24 months.

"We will always be the party

that dreams no small dreams," Mulcair said. "We will always be the party that thinks about the little guy."

A 50-per-cent-plus-one vote would have been necessary for Mulcair to stay on, let alone have near enough support for a confident mandate. It was a far worse result for Mulcair than even his fiercest detractors might have expected, the culmination of a festering dispute over the NDP's direction in the wake of an election that robbed the party of more than half its seats.

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Tom Mulcair pauses during his speech at the NDP federal convention in Edmonton. JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

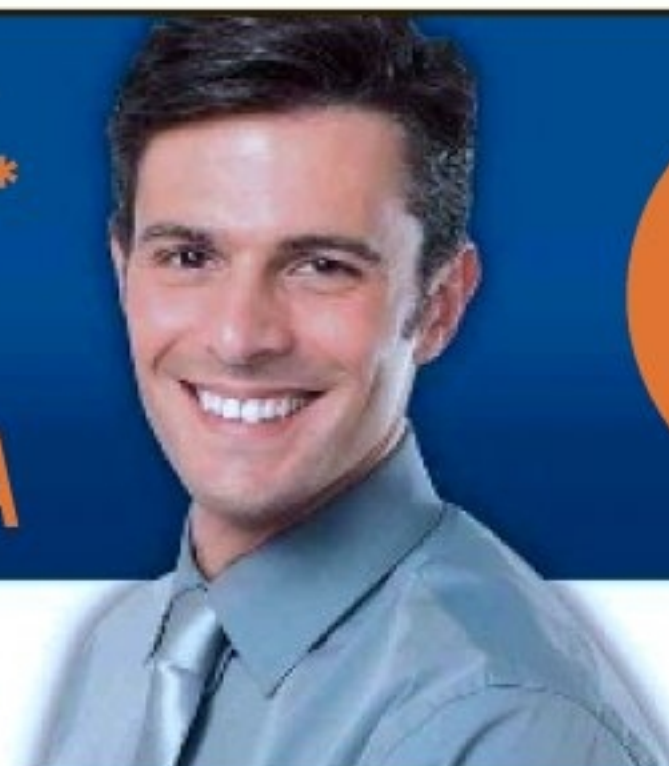
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BRUSSELS

Second France attack planned, say officials

The extremists who struck Brussels last month and killed 32 people initially planned to launch a second assault on France in the wake of the November attacks in Paris, authorities said Sunday.

But the perpetrators were "surprised by the speed of the progress in the ongoing investigation" and decided to rush an attack on Brussels instead of going back to France, the Belgian federal prosecutor's office said in a statement. It didn't provide any details on the initial French plot or its targets. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

+ ARRESTS

Belgian police detained four men in Brussels raids over the weekend in relation to the Brussels attacks. One of them, Mohamed Abrini, has also been charged in relation to the Paris attacks, prosecutors said.

Abrini has acknowledged being the "man in the hat" spotted alongside the two suicide bombers who blew themselves up at Brussels Airport, officials said.

MACEDONIA

Migrants clash with border police

Migrants waged running battles with Macedonian police Sunday after they were stopped from scaling the border fence with Greece near the town of Idomeni, and aid agencies reported that hundreds of stranded travellers were injured.

Macedonian police used tear gas, stun grenades, plastic bullets and a water cannon to repel the migrants, many of

whom responded by throwing rocks over the fence at police. Greek police observed from their side of the frontier but did not intervene.

More than 50,000 refugees and migrants have been stranded in Greece after Balkan countries closed their borders to the massive flow of refugees pouring into Europe. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A migrant runs with a tear gas canister during clashes with Macedonian police on Sunday. AMEL EMRIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Temple fire kills dozens

INDIA

Hundreds more injured in fireworks accident

The Hindu temple in southern India was packed with thousands for a religious festival early Sunday when the fireworks began — an unauthorized pyrotechnic display that went horribly wrong.

Explosions and a massive fire swept rapidly through the Puttingal temple complex about 3 a.m. in the village of Paravoor, killing 102 people and injuring

380 others, officials said.

Scores of devotees ran in panic as the massive initial blast cut off power in the complex, while other explosions sent flames and debris raining down, a witness said. Many people were trapped inside.

"It was complete chaos," said Krishna Das of Paravoor. "People were screaming in the dark. Ambulance sirens went off, and in the darkness no one knew how to find their way out of the complex."

Das said the first deafening explosion occurred as the fireworks display was about to end and as he was walking away. It was followed by a series of blasts, he added.

The fire started when a spark from the fireworks show ignited a separate batch of fireworks that were being stored in the temple complex, said Chief Minister Oommen Chandy, the top elected official in Kerala state.

Most of the more than 100 deaths occurred when the building where the fireworks were stored collapsed, Chandy told reporters. About 60 bodies have been identified so far, he added.

One of the explosions sent huge chunks of concrete flying as far as a kilometre, said Jayashree Harikrishnan, another resident.

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1 Debris of damaged structures lies on a wall decorated with motifs of Hindu gods at the spot where a massive fire broke out Sunday during a fireworks display at the Puttingal temple complex in southern Kerala state, India.

2 An injured boy rests at the Kollam district hospital.

3 People walk past damaged buildings.

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3 FITNESS TECH PRODUCTS FROM THE FIBO TRADE FAIR

Recognizing the latest innovations in sports and fitness products, the FIBO Global Fitness trade fair wrapped up this weekend in Cologne, Germany. Here are three highlights from the shortlisted 12 gadgets and products up for this year's FIBO Innovation and Trend Awards. **AFP**



1 Jabra Sport Coach wireless headphones

The Jabra Sport Coach wireless headphones take you through a workout and enable you to track and analyze your performance with their integrated Trackfit motion sensor. The headphones come with more than 40 exercises catering to levels from beginner to advanced, and will provide you with an audio coach in your ear to take you through the workout, as well as music with high-quality Dolby sound. And for those who combine their workouts with running, the Trackfit motion sensor will record your distance, pace, steps and calories so you can keep track of your progress.

The headphones can be used with many of the most popular fitness apps including Runtastic, Runkeeper, Strava and Mapmyfitness, as well as their own Jabra Sport Life app for more personalized in-ear coaching during your sweat session.



2 Cosinuss One

The new ear sensor from cosinuss°, the cosinuss° One gives accurate feedback during your workout on not only your heart rate but also body temperature, an important factor to measure during athletic performance. Feedback can be sent to a smartphone or fitness tracker, and the ear sensor can also be used with its own cosinuss° One app, which can also monitor your dehydration levels so you know when to take on board more water, as well as provide an accurate reading on how many calories you have burned.

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3 Gym Aesthetics High-Tech Underwear

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DNA the 'future of movie archiving'

A Technicolor scientist surrounded by the latest virtual-reality technology inspects a vial containing a few droplets of water — and one million copies of an old movie encoded into DNA.

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Rose used the occasion at Technicolor's Sunset Boulevard studios to showcase the company's latest jaw-dropping innovation — the encoding of movies into artificial, "non-biological" DNA.

Jean Bolot, vice-president for research and innovation, held



Look closer: This vial contains a few droplets of water — and one million copies of an old movie encoded onto DNA.

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up a vial barely bigger than a bullet containing a million copies of 1902 French silent film *A Trip to the Moon*, the first movie to use visual effects.

DNA is almost unimaginably small — up to 90,000 molecules can fit into the width of one human hair — so even such a large library is totally invisible to the human eye. All you can see is the water in the tube.

"This, we believe, is what the future of movie archiving will look like," Bolot said.

Scientists have been experimenting with DNA as a potential storage medium for years, but recent advances in modern lab equipment have made projects like Technicolor's a reality.

Bolot's team digitized the *A Trip to the Moon* into data in the form of zeros and 1s in computing's binary code, and transcribed it into DNA code, which was then turned into molecules, using lab-dish chemicals.

The contents are "read" by sequencing the DNA — as is routinely done today in genetic fingerprinting — and turning it back into computer code. **AFP**

+ WHY DO IT?

Converting movies into man-made DNA brings huge advantages, said Bolot, who points out that the archives of every Hollywood studio, currently taking up square kilometres of floor space, could fit into a Lego brick.

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THE QUESTION
Every month I spend at least an hour complaining to my phone/cable TV/Internet provider about overcharges. How do I break this cycle without being rude?

Dear Ellen,

My phone/cable TV/Internet provider keeps overcharging. Some months the bill is \$4 higher. Other times it's \$11. Every month I spend at least an hour on the phone trying to get them to fix the mistake once and for all. They always adjust the bill, but it keeps happening. I don't want to be rude but I don't want to spend so much time on the phone every month when the mistake is not my fault.

T.R.

Dear T.R.,

Wow. Your letter is a model of gracious restraint considering how much of your time and money is being wasted by a corporation that repeatedly makes false promises about fixing your problem but clearly doesn't care enough about your business to actually follow through.

If this company were a romantic partner, I would say: "Break up with this sleazy, lying, thieving b---d once and for all, and find yourself a decent provider!" Except then you'd have to go out and do the telecom equivalent of on-line dating, desperately seeking a new provider in the hopes they won't try to lock you down in an exclusive, long-term relationship, then immediately

I begin every call to my own provider by saying: 'Hello. I want to start by telling you that I may not be able to control my tone.'

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start breaking promises and screwing you over the second you commit.

Which they probably will, because — as much as we hate to generalize here at Urban Etiquette — the fact is that phone/cable TV/Internet providers across Canada all tend to overcharge and under deliver. The proof is in the thousands of complaints received every year by the CRTC, the government agency in charge of regulating broadcasting and telecommunications for the public good.

I'm glad to hear that you "don't want to be rude" when you make these monthly, ultimately futile phone calls, but it would be understandable if you slipped up. We can hardly expect anyone to fret about manners while getting royally shafted (especially when the shaft comes with empty, scripted apologies that waste even more time in those stupid,

endless phone calls that seem designed to wear us all down so we'll stop phoning to complain in the first place).

But in calls to customer representatives, rudeness is pointless and misplaced. The wage slave on the phone is not the one at fault, and has no real power to make the company deliver on its promises. This is why I begin every call to my own provider by saying: "Hello. I want to start by telling you that I may not be able to control my tone, because I am very angry and upset. Please understand that my anger is not directed at you, but at the evil overlords who run your terrible company."

As for your endless over-billing problem, I'm sorry I don't have a better solution for you. I do encourage you to register your complaint with the CRTC crtc.gc.ca/eng/internet/plaint.htm and the Com-

missioner for Complaints for Telecommunications Services (CCTS) ccts-cprst.ca.

You might also want to check out Facebook groups hosted by both providers (Fido, Telus, Wind Mobile, etc.) as well as detractors (I Hate Bell Canada, Canadians Against Rogers, Shaw Cable Sucks, I Hate Telus, etc.). I don't recommend rude venting on any of these sites — toxic spirals on the Internet are good for no one. But responsibly describing your own ordeal and reading about those of others can be both therapeutic and constructive.

If you're in any way dissatisfied with this advice, feel free to speak to my manager in Retention. She'll probably just tell you what I told you, though.

Need advice?
Email Ellen:
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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

metroview

The first step is admitting you're a hopeless Q-Tip addict

My long-distance fiancé had just arrived for a visit, and according to him, after the usual pleasantries, the first thing I asked was, "Did you bring the Q-Tips?"

I said it conspiratorially, with a tinge of the addict's desperation. He thought it was funny, but a week later, I landed in the walk-in clinic. Actually, I would end up there three times in four days and stay home from work to deal with the excruciating pain, akin to having your inner ear stabbed repeatedly with a sharp knife.

Yes, I took two days off work because of Q-Tips.

I don't know when it started. I only know that, after a certain point, I was hooked. It felt so good. It wasn't just about cleaning. It was about scratching the itch, and feeling that oddly sensuous shiver. As any user knows, there is something deeply, inappropriately satisfying about Q-Tips.

I knew it was wrong. I'd read the warning on the package to never put a Q-Tip inside your ear — about as effective a deterrent as a "Do not eat" warning on a box of the world's tastiest ice cream. ("Use only as a body lotion.")

The walk-in doctor asked a few questions, and I had to admit my addiction. Knowing it was wrong, I had stopped a few months ago.

But it wouldn't be breaking the new rules if someone else brought the swabs, I had reasoned.

The doctor told me my ears were very, very clean, and very, very swollen. The infection could be fixed with drops, he noted.

"So just to be clear," I said, cupping my ears. "I did this to myself, with Q-Tips?"

"Yes."

Walk-in doctors are constantly fielding cotton-swab injuries, he told me. "I can't believe they're still on shelves," he said. "A colleague and I joke that we should launch a class action lawsuit."

A lawsuit! For Q-Tips! And I would play the plaintiff. Because, really — as if cotton swab companies don't know how good their insidious products feel, as they caress those sensitive, rarely touched nerve endings. Worst of it all, as my ears started to heal, that old urge came back.

But I have sworn them off. Missing work over a Q-Tip was embarrassing enough the first time, but the pain is what's keeping me away. I would wake up in the middle of the night in agony, convinced my whole face and ears were stuck inside a clamp. I actually considered going to the ER.

Because of a Q-Tip.

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How well have Annick and Yolanda's finances improved? At the end of our three month series, **Metro's finance guru Lesley-Anne Scorgie** looks at the financial gains both women have made and finds they've collectively increased their net worth by nearly \$9,000

Back on track after 12 weeks



LESLEY-ANNE SCORGIE
metromoney

THE CHALLENGE: Twelve weeks ago Annick, 24 and from Calgary, and Yolanda, 27, from Mississauga, took on the Metro Money Makeover challenge to transform their finances. Both young women rolled up their sleeves to get financially fit and reach new money milestones by crushing debt and saving thousands.

THIS WEEK: These two young women shattered their financial limitations and collectively raised their net worth by nearly \$9,000! More importantly, Annick and Yolanda have new and lasting financial life skills that will ensure their dreams happen soon.

THE RESULTS: Financial success comes to those who work for it and Annick and Yolanda have done just that. After their 12-week financial transformation, I'm confident they're on track to financial independence which makes me a proud money coach.

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Annick

When Annick arrived in Calgary in 2010 from the Democratic Republic of Congo she had high expectations of a powerful Canadian education in energy management, a great job in a strong economy and dreams of home ownership by age 25.

But the cloud of student loans, high cost of living and few career prospects upon graduation due to disastrously low commodity prices crushed her finances.

Annick and I have worked almost exclusively on the reduction of her consumer debt. Our target date for her consumer debt-free was July 2016, but she beat that by a long shot! Just two weeks ago she triumphed over it with the help of a tax refund totaling \$2,780.

When her tax refund was deposited, she paid out all remaining balances. Today, Annick is left with a \$58,200 student loan and a small, but growing, group RRSP through her work.

THE NEXT 12 MONTHS: Annick must be careful not to slip back into old habits of overspending and instead focus on her goals of:

- Building an emergency fund (one year)
- Earning a better income (one to two years)
- Growing a down payment (three years)

Annick's long-term financial



In 12 weeks Annick has eliminated her credit card balances and loans to friends and family. JENNIFER FRIESEN/FOR METRO

goals require short-term trade-offs.

So if she wants her dreams badly enough, she'll swap concert tickets and car payments for contributions to her TFSA and RRSP.

THE RESULTS: When we met in December 2015, Annick's net worth was (\$62,450).

In 12 weeks, she's eliminated her credit card balances and loans to friends and family for a net worth improvement of \$5,300 to (\$57,150).

NET WORTH

Assets	
TFSA	50
RRSP	1,000

Total Assets \$1,050

Liabilities	
Student Loan	58,200

Total Liabilities \$58,200

Net worth (\$57,150)

Yolanda

In my first meeting with Yolanda she demonstrated a high ability to save money. But, the reason she wasn't seeing any progress on her money was because she was using her TFSA and RRSP like a bank account; draining the balances whenever vet bills or trips came up. Yolanda's challenge came down to learning to budget for her short-term needs while continuing to save towards her long-term goal of owning a home through her TFSA and RRSP. We identified three other financial areas requiring attention.

First, Yolanda is underpaid. Yes, she loves her communications job at a well known charity, but the big question is how much? Her low income is compromising her ability to save.

Second, she needed to establish a financial "buffer" account which could be used to pay for unexpected expenses.

Third, Yolanda is financially generous. But, her charitable contributions were getting larger by the month. Today she follows the 10 per cent rule.

Because of Yolanda's insatiable desire to own a home, she made the critical decision to move back home with her mother, allowing her to save more aggressively for a down payment.

THE NEXT 12 MONTHS: Yolanda's number one financial



Yolanda has learned to budget for her short term needs. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

NET WORTH

Assets	
Savings	325
Pension	5,000
TFSA	1,300
RRSP	1,250

Total Assets \$7,875

Liabilities	
VISA	0

Total Liabilities \$7,875

Net worth \$7,875

priority is saving \$30,000 for a down payment and closing costs.

THE RESULTS: Since December 2015, Yolanda has improved her net worth by \$3,575 by setting up bi-weekly contributions to her savings account, pension, TFSA and RRSP. Her net worth is now \$7,875.

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Dear students: Pay your loans



Think you are getting a good deal on your interest rate? Think again. ISTOCK

MONEY MATTERS

Don't fall prey to myths, your debt definitely is costing you

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada



Heaps of people are under the impression that the government wants to do right by students. What they don't know — because they've taken the preceding as gospel — is that they may be paying more interest than they think.

True or False?

1. The six-month, no-payment grace period students are given when they leave school comes interest-free.

2. The interest rate on student loans is comparable to what's available at the bank.

3. You should use the student loan default repayment schedule to pay off your student loan.

If you answered true to any of these, you're misinformed. Surprised? Did you really think that after years of giving you money for free while you were in school the government wouldn't find a way to get its pound of flesh? Here's the reality:

1. The six-month grace period comes with interest.

While you don't have to make a payment, your debt continues rack up interest and to grow. Graduate owing \$28,000 (which is the average student debt in Canada) and that six-month deferral will cost you as much as \$1,000 in additional interest. You'll have the option of paying it in a lump sum, but most people just add it to their principal and end up paying interest on interest. Compounding interest works both ways and this is a great way to make it work against you.

2. The interest rates on student loans are higher than you can typically get at a bank. Why? Well, remember all those years you were in school using the government's money and paying not one red cent in interest? Since the government is going to get its money back one way or another, student loans come with a hefty price tag once the interest-rate clock is turned on. If you choose a variable interest rate, you'll pay prime + 2.5 per cent. If you choose a fixed-rate loan you'll pay prime + five per cent.

3. The student loan default repayment schedule is designed to take ten years to pay off your student loan. The student loan system default repayment term is 114 months, and most people go with the default without giving a second's thought to the cost of the loan. Graduate with

\$28,000 in student loans and choose the default repayment schedule (assuming a variable rate), and you will pay over \$8,000 in interest. If you chose the fixed rate, you'd pay more than \$12,000 in interest.

Want to pay less interest? Once you've got a steady job, consolidate your student loans with an aggressive repayment schedule. Plan to take 3-5 years to pay off an undergrad degree, 5-7 years for a Masters and 7-10 years if your mommy gets to call you "doctor."

You don't have to do the math yourself... although with your high priced education, you should be able to. Just go to Canlearn.ca and click on the "Repay my student loan" link. You can compare monthly payment options to see how much interest you'll end up paying. Your goal should be to pay no more than you absolutely have to. And if that means living like a poor student for a little longer, so be it.



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'For me, it's about the people'

WHY I LIKE MY JOB

Hao Chen, 31, Creative Director, Vancouver, B.C.

I grew into an art family; ever since I was young, I was drawing. I went to Emily Carr here in Vancouver. I got into the animation program and did the full three years and got my BA there.

Ever since, I've worked in the industry. I started with bigger studios, working on Barbie and Max Steele, and did post-production on some Hollywood films. Then I went back to school, for entertainment design in Los Angeles, and after a year I decided it was time to start my own thing. I freelanced for a while, then my business partner and I started our company, LineTest. We focus on advertisements, TV commercials, online campaigns, digital signage and mobile apps. We're a small studio, but we work with pretty big clients.

My job is to convey clients' ideas and campaigns to the artists in our studio. I also take care of the business side of LineTest. For me, it's about the people, whether it's meeting with clients and helping them with their vision, or working with artists. I learn a lot from other people, and I get inspired by new ideas that can only be created when a collective is brought together. METRO



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THE BASICS: Animator

\$49,782

Median wage of animators, according to PayScale.com. Some even make as much as **\$78,426**, and can earn more as animation producers or creative directors.

+9.1%

The amount of growth expected in this field over the next four years

Data for this feature was provided by payscale.com, servicecanada.gc.ca, humber.ca, sheridancollege.ca, centennialcollege.ca, centennialcollege.ca, ryerson.ca and durhamcollege.ca

HOW TO START

A Bachelor of Animation or a diploma in Computer Animation is a typical starting point for a professional animator.

WHERE YOU CAN GO

Job titles and responsibilities for animators are diverse. Animators may work in feature film or television, on video games or in web design. They might become illustrators for medical textbooks or they could go on to become animation producers or creative directors in marketing firms. Depending on their strengths and interests, freelance animators often perform a mix of artistic duties.

NEXT CAREER STEP

If they haven't studied it already, animators may want to explore post-grad studies in 3D Animation, or a certificate in Digital Animation or Digital Art Production. Artists working for marketing firms may choose to explore that field to accelerate career potential. METRO

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EDUCATION

Paper vs. laptops: Experts weigh in

Some studies suggest students who take notes using pen and paper remember more than those typing their notes on a computer, but experts and educators caution such findings should be taken with a grain of salt.

Factors other than the method of note-taking can be far more significant when it comes to memorizing material, they say.

"Your long-term or short-term memory depends a lot on what you're interested in and what you value," said David Cameron, research director with the activist group People for Education.

One study that garnered international attention gathered information from hundreds of students from Princeton University and the University of California in Los Angeles. It found students who used laptops to take notes didn't retain the information for long.

In contrast, according to the 2014 study by Pam Mueller and Daniel Oppenheimer, students who handwrote their notes had a better understanding of the information.

"I've seen many classrooms where kids have copied the entire board in terms of lesson structure and plan and goal, and then you walk up and ask and he says, 'Well, I wasn't reading, I was just copying off the board.'"



A study found students who typed an essay with one hand wrote better essays than students who typed with two hands, due to slowing down their writing process. ISTOCK

Ester Cole, a Toronto-based child psychologist, said both skills — handwriting notes and typing them on laptops — are valuable if students want to do well.

Children need to be able to utilize both fine-motor and digital skills to best complement what they're learning, he said.

"Computer technology is a tool, and tools are complementary."

Some educators said technology can offer a distinct advantage in certain cases to handwriting and can even be a necessity.

"If your fine-motor skills are not developed to the point where you're able to write quickly enough or legibly enough,

maybe the technology can help you keep up or take more legible notes," said Kevin Bradbeer, with the Toronto District School Board.

In 2016 the University of Waterloo did a study on students who typed an essay with one hand versus two hands.

They generally found that students who typed with one hand — equated in the study to handwriting — wrote better essays.

"We're not saying that students should write their term papers with one hand, but our results show that going fast can have its drawbacks," says the study authored by professor Evan Risko.

THE CANADIAN PRESS



Kevin Koe and Team Canada celebrate on Sunday in Basel, Switzerland. GEORGIOS KEFALAS/KEYSTONE VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Koe atop the world

CURLING

Calgary rink claims title in Switzerland

Kevin Koe took a chance when he left the team he skipped to victory at the 2014 Tim Hortons Brier to form a new squad with an eye on qualifying for the next Winter Olympics.

His results this season have gone a long way toward backing up his decision.

Koe led Canada to its first men's world curling title in four years with a 5-3 win over an inexperienced but tough Denmark team in Sunday's gold-medal game in Basel, Switzerland. Canada scored a decisive

two points in the ninth when Danish skip Rasmus Stjerne, who was brilliant all week, barely missed on a double-runback raise attempt, giving Koe an open draw.

After a disappointing first season together, Koe and his Calgary-based team — vice-skip Marc Kennedy, lead Ben Hebert and second Brent Laing — have rounded into top form.

"This is why we put this team together," said Koe. "We have things to improve on. Honestly, though, you couldn't write a better script for all we've gone through this year."

Koe qualified for the world championship by leading Alberta to a 9-5 win over Newfoundland and Labrador skip Brad Gushue in the final of the Tim Hortons Brier. His team continued to roll in Basel, losing just one game to defending champion Sweden en route to claiming Canada's 35th world title.



This is amazing. And there's more in the tank.

Kevin Koe

"We put a lot of hard work into it," Koe said. "Last year was a bit of a struggle and we made some changes (Kennedy moved to vice-skip), and they're paying off."

"What a year we've had —

world champions, we've won a lot of other big events and hopefully we'll just keep getting better. And I think we can. It's only our second year playing together."

Denmark, led by skip Stjerne, proved a difficult opponent for Canada over the course of the tournament. Canada needed an extra end to defeat the Danes 11-8 in round-robin play, then broke open a close match late in Canada's 5-3 win over Stjerne in the 1-2 Page playoff.

"It was a battle today, they're a good young team," Koe said. "It wasn't flashy, but it was solid, and what a feeling. It's so hard to win the Brier, so you just want to win the worlds when you get here, and it feels awesome." THE CANADIAN PRESS

MASTERS

Willett rises as Spieth collapses

Danny Willett in a green jacket was hard to believe considering he wasn't even sure he could play the Masters two weeks ago.

Jordan Spieth was even more stunned.

Nine holes away from history, the defending Masters champion threw it all away in a collapse around Amen Corner that was shocking even by Augusta National standards. He

played the opening three holes of the back nine in 6 over par, including a quadruple bogey at the 12th.

Willett, five shots behind with six holes left to play, birdied three of his last six holes to polish off a round that might not get its due because of Spieth's meltdown. He closed with a 5-under 67, with no bogeys on his card, to match the best score of the

weekend.

The 28-year-old Englishman wasn't even planning to play. His wife was due with their first child on this very day. Their son, Zachariah James, was born on March 30, clearing Willett to a most unlikely path to becoming a major champion.

Spieth closed with a 73 and tied for second with Lee Westwood (69). THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Jordan Spieth, left, presents Danny Willett with the green jacket on Sunday. KEVIN C. COX/GETTY IMAGES

NBA

Warriors match Bulls' 72 victories

The Golden State Warriors got a historic victory in the one place they hadn't won in nearly two decades.

Stephen Curry had 37 points and the Warriors beat the San Antonio Spurs 92-86 Sunday night for their 72nd win, tying the 1995-96 Chicago Bulls for the season record.

The Warriors will finish their regular season at home against the Memphis Grizzlies on Wednesday night.

The Spurs had won 48 consecutive regular-season games at home, including an NBA-record 39 straight to begin this season. Golden State ended a 33-game skid in San Antonio that dated to 1997.

San Antonio sat Tim Duncan for rest and was without an injured Boris Diaw. It had not lost at home since March 2015.

+ CHASING 73

The Warriors will go for their 73rd win of the season on Wednesday at home against the Grizzlies. The two teams played on Saturday, with Golden State winning 100-99.

In their lone victory over Golden State this season, the Spurs managed to slow the game down. San Antonio tried to match the Warriors' pace Sunday, though, leading to a tense and at times sloppy game.

LaMarcus Aldridge had 24 points to lead the Spurs, who have lost three straight for the first time this season.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CRIME

Ex-NFLer shot dead after fender-bender

Former New Orleans Saints player Will Smith was shot and killed in what appeared to be a road-rage incident, city police said Sunday. The death shocked fans of the much-loved athlete.

Investigators don't have any evidence so far that the shooting was "anything other than this accident ... that turned violent," Police Supt. Michael Harrison said Sunday afternoon.

There's no indication that Smith, 34, and the man accused of killing him knew each other or that Cardell Hayes, 28, targeted Smith, Harrison said.

Harrison said Hayes waited for police to show up and



Will Smith
GETTY IMAGES FILE

was arrested on a charge of second-degree murder in Smith's death. Hayes was the driver of a Humvee H2 that rear-ended Smith's Mercedes G63

Saturday night, police said.

Smith, a former defensive end, was a first-round draft choice by New Orleans in 2004.

He led the Saints with a career-high 13 sacks in 2009, when the club won its only Super Bowl. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Murray steps down as Sens general manager

Bryan Murray is stepping down as Ottawa Senators general manager and taking on an advisory role within the organization.

Murray, who has been battling cancer, will be replaced by assistant general manager Pierre Dorion, who becomes the eighth GM in franchise history. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Richdale earns fourth victory on Symetra Tour

Canada's Samantha Richdale won the Symetra Tour's Florida's Natural Charity Classic on Sunday, closing with a 3-under 69 for a one-stroke victory.

The 32-year-old from Kelowna, B.C., shot a 7-under 209 for the tournament. She earned \$26,250 for her fourth career victory on the tour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Vintage Estrada' start helps Jays to 1st home win

MLB

Righty throws seven scoreless in return to Toronto mound

Marco Estrada took up where he left off last season, throwing the Blue Jays an early-season lifeline after four straight losses.

The Toronto right-hander, making his season debut after a sore back limited him in spring training, threw seven shutout innings and Josh Donaldson belted

his fourth homer in a 3-0 win over the Boston Red Sox on Sunday before a Rogers Centre sell-out of 46,158.

After three blown save opportunities by the bullpen and a difficult outing for knuckleballer R.A. Dickey, Toronto (3-4) needed some shutdown pitching. Estrada obliged in his 100th career start, showing why the Jays rewarded him in the off-season with a \$26-million US, two-year contract.

"I really didn't know what to expect going into this game, the way his spring training went," said Toronto manager John Gib-

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bons. "But it was vintage Estrada. It really was."

"It's early in the season but we needed that game," he

Everything is magnified this early in the season, Gibbons noted, especially to a team that fell just short of making the World Series last year.

"We know we have a good ball

club," Gibbons continued. "But with the enthusiasm that's running around here you want to at least get off to a decent start to keep that going. You don't want the naysayers to start jumping off that wagon."

"We don't want anyone panicking, that's for sure," he said with a smile.

Boston (3-2) could not make it three come-from-behind wins in a row as the Toronto bullpen, in the person of Drew Storen and Roberto Osuna, did its job. Osuna gave up a single but struck out three in the ninth for his third save. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Marco Estrada had eight strikeouts in seven shutout innings on Sunday. FRED THORNHILL/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Leicester title looking like reality

Leicester's first target was exceeded long ago: Premier League survival. Another landmark was achieved Sunday: Champions League qualification for the first time. By the end of the month, Leicester should have secured the prize once simply unthinkable for such a team: the Premier League trophy itself.

Jamie Vardy's double at Sunderland sealed a 2-0 victory that guaranteed a coveted top-four finish. Leicester remains seven points clear at the top and is starting to resemble a Premier League thoroughbred with its effortless march to a first title.

This isn't what a title run-in should look like for a team yet to win the league title in its 132-year history and was in a relegation scrap this time last season.

Tottenham is waiting to pounce on any slip-up by Leices-



Leicester celebrate Sunday's win at Sunderland. GETTY IMAGES

ter. The second-place London club responded to Leicester's Sunderland success by ending a 15-year wait for a home win over Manchester United. A 3-0 victory was secured by Dele Alli, Toby Alderweireld and Erik Lamela scoring within five minutes, 46 seconds in the second half.

It pushed Tottenham a step closer to joining Leicester in the Champions League next season, having only featured in Europe's top competition once before. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Busch sweeps weekend

A broom was waiting for Kyle Busch in Victory Lane at Fort Worth, Texas.

Busch took the lead after the final restart Saturday night, completing his second NASCAR weekend sweep in a row and becoming the first driver to do that since Harry Gant in 1991.

"It's pretty darn good, I'll tell you that," Busch said when asked what it's like to be him right now. "I've got a great wife, a great son and I'm having a blast, living the dream."

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Mets' deGrom to sit out

One week into the season, the heralded New York Mets starting rotation is having health issues.

Jacob deGrom, the 2014 NL Rookie of the Year, will miss his scheduled start Wednesday against Miami because of a sore muscle in his right side. He will be replaced by Logan Verrett.

DeGrom won the Mets' home opener Friday against Philadelphia, allowing one run and five hits over six innings during a 7-2 victory.

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- 1 tsp olive oil
- 8 asparagus spears, trimmed and chopped
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup Parmesan cheese, grated
- salt and pepper

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.

2. Pour your olive oil in a small, oven-proof skillet and bring up to medium heat. Add the asparagus pieces and sauté until they just begin to soften, about 3 to 5 minutes. Spread the vegetables evenly across the pan.

3. Crack the eggs over the asparagus. Carefully place the skillet into the oven. Bake for 5 minutes.

4. Using an oven mitt, slide the pan out of the oven. Sprinkle the Parmesan cheese across the top of the whole pan and gently place back in the oven. Bake for another 5 minutes, or until the eggs are cooked to your liking.

4. Serve with buttered toast.

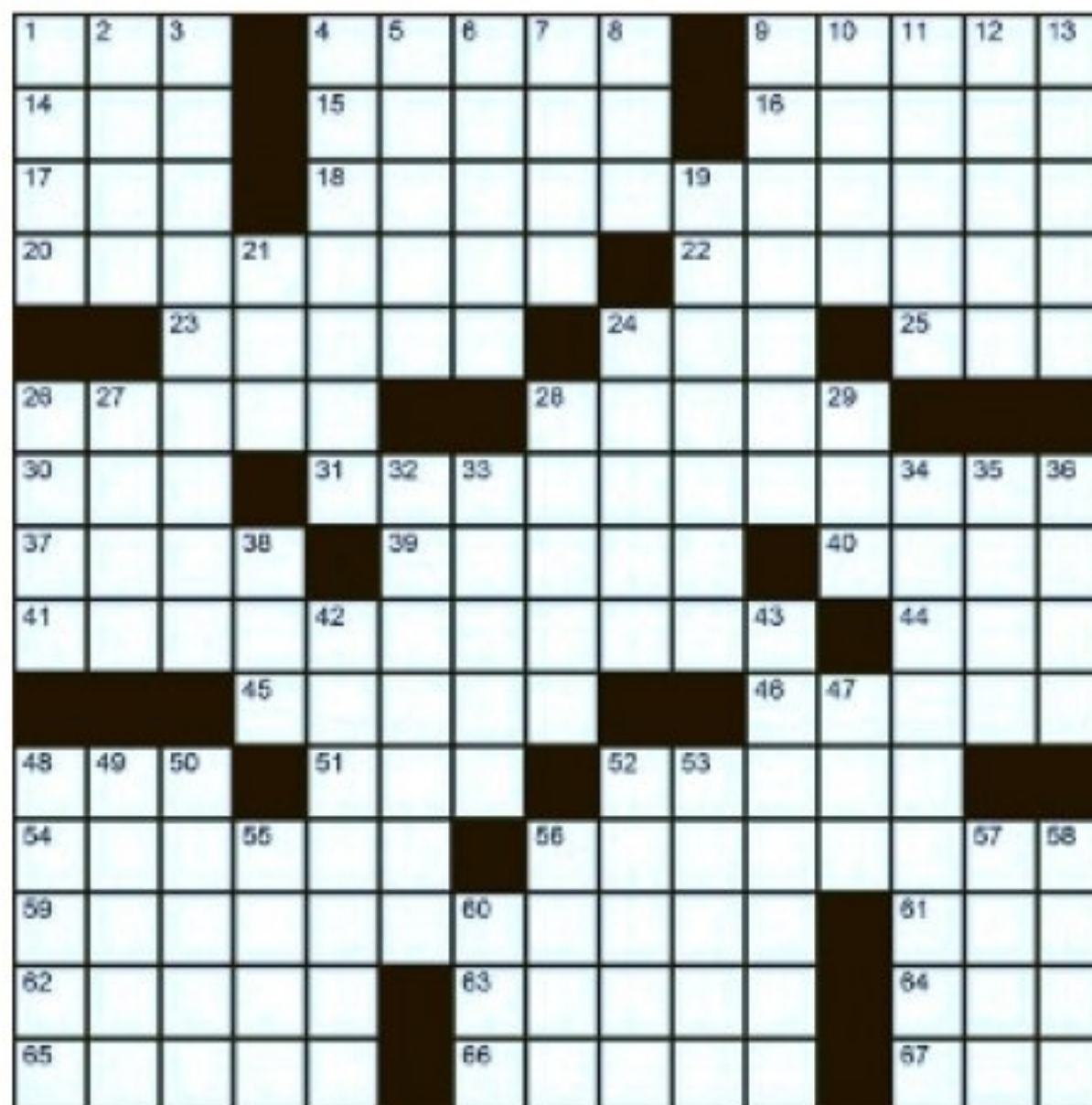
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9. Athlete's contraction
14. Soul part, in ancient Egyptian mythology
15. Adam van __, Flemish painter
16. Patchy-coated horse
17. __ culpa!
18. Radio __
20. __ and Mastodons: Titans of the Ice Age (Current exhibit at the Ontario Science Centre in Toronto)
22. Unspecified individual
23. English diarist, Samuel __ (b.1633 - d.1703)
24. Couplet
25. Telephone bk. listings
26. "Look __ Did!" (Check out my accomplishment!)
28. Feudal workers
30. Cleaning item
31. Toronto subway station: 2 wds.
37. Uncle's wife
39. What one can do with #1-Across
40. Prefix meaning 'thought'
41. Glacial epoch for the creatures at #20-Across
44. __-dee... (Funny!)
45. Spring flower
46. Petrograd prohibitions
48. Little devil
51. You __ by Lionel Richie



52. Storms
54. Certain cold cut
56. Minus
59. Maritimes History: Its colours are blue, white and red ...and there's a gold star in the upper left corner: 2 wds.
61. Verify
62. Walking sticks

63. Scottish hymn: __ That Wilt Not Let Me Go
64. Time-saver's abbr.
65. Chirp
66. Sharp __ (Like a knife)
67. Musical note before lah

DOWN

1. The Rubbles' baby, when doubled
2. Swedish furniture store
3. Region/drink in France
4. Not deviating from the subject matter: 2 wds.

5. Sixty minus twenty's answer
6. Ark builder's namesakes
7. Coastal birds
8. Scale amts.
9. Laverne & Shirley ...to Happy Days
10. Sympathy
11. Playwright Mr.

- Chekhov
12. Shorthand [abbr.]
13. Traditions
19. Ms. McTeer (Wife of 16th Prime Minister Joe Clark)
21. The __ (NYC opera attraction)
24. Inquire
26. Shawl
27. Transport via truck
28. Birth name of singer Fergie, __ Ann Ferguson
29. __ Lanka
32. The Waldorf= __ (Landmark hotel in New York)
33. Beamed
34. Glues and tapes
35. Tidy
36. Michael __ (Fashion designer)
38. Journalist's story origin
42. Nautical vision blurrer: 2 wds.
43. Set to be married
47. Nevertheless
48. "All I gotta do __ naturally...": Country tune bit
49. Beautiful bird
50. Carpentry tool
52. Record anew, as on a ship
53. Succulent plant
55. "Chick" suffix
56. St. John's locale [abbr.]
57. Disallow
58. Inscribe
60. San Francisco's __ Valley

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
You are creative and artistic. (Aries is the sign of the artisan in the zodiac, which is why you can do anything with your hands.) Today you are full of amazing, original ideas!

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Something having to do with your finances or your possessions is a bit unreliable today. Double-check all transactions. Postpone important purchases until tomorrow.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Today the moon is in your sign; however, its influence is unpredictable. Therefore, keep a low profile and don't get excited about things. Tomorrow is a stronger day.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You might kid yourself about knowing what you are doing today, when in fact you really don't. Therefore, postpone important decisions until tomorrow. If you must act, do it in the morning.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a great day to schmooze with others! Spontaneous social situations will arise suddenly. Someone you least expect might want to see you. (It's an interesting day).

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Relations with authority figures are unpredictable today. Whatever happens, you will want to be free of what they dictate. You don't want anyone telling you what to do today.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Travel plans will be interrupted or cancelled today. Alternatively, unexpected travel plans might arise. That's because today is a bit of a crashshoot.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
If dealing with financial matters, especially with shared property, inheritances and such, make sure you have your facts right. Something unexpected could torpedo something.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Be prepared to accommodate others today, because the moon is opposite your sign. Furthermore, it is dancing with Uranus, which means people are unpredictable. Keep your eyes open!

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Allow yourself extra time at work today so that you have wiggle room to cope with something unexpected. Today will be full of short-ages, delays and goofy mistakes.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
This is a mildly accident-prone day for your kids, so be vigilant. Meanwhile, planned social events might change, while unexpected social events might occur.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Your home routine will be interrupted today. Small appliances might break down, or something unexpected will occur. Just be aware of this so that you are prepared.

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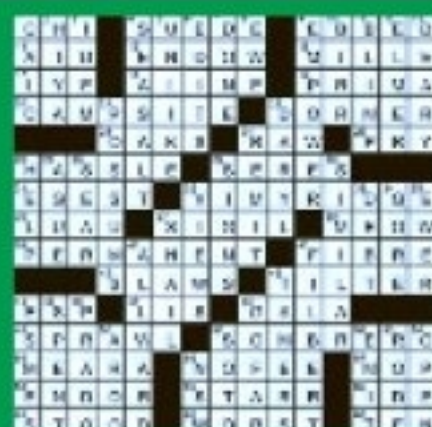
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